

## Notice of Exemption

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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**Project Title:** Culvert Replacement (Lake Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. SJN-28322-R2)

**Project Location:** The project is located at the conjunction of Crescent Lake and Rainbow Lake that is tributary to the San Joaquin River, in the County of San Joaquin, State of California; Latitude 37.675° North, Longitude 121.2705° West, 30000 Kasson Road, Tracy CA, 95304.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number SJN-28322 -R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, San Joaquin River Club.

The project is limited to the removal of an existing twenty-four (24) inch culvert and the associated bulkhead under an existing roadway between two small lakes. The replacement bulkhead will require temporary installation of concrete forms and pouring of concrete followed by installation of a new thirty-six (36) diameter self-cleaning culvert, replacement, and compaction of the road base over the culvert and repaving of the repaired section of roadway. During the course of the project, a turbidity/debris barrier will be installed to prevent construction materials and debris from entering either lake. The lake water level will be artificially lowered as well to ensure the project area is dry during, and immediately following completion of the project. All necessary erosion control Best Management Practices will be employed to minimize the risk of debris entering either lake during the rainy season following the initiation and completion of the project.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

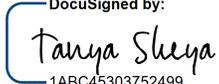
**Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project:** San Joaquin River Club

**Exempt Status:**

- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (2, and 4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15302 and 15304)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 2 because the existing culvert and support bulkhead will be replaced within the exact same location with no new impacts to the lakebed. Class 4 because the project consists of a minor alteration of land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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